

COUNCIL CHAMBERS CITY COUNCIL
CITY HALL - CITY OF LODI

May 21, 1952

This meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi held beginning at 8:10 o'clock p.m. of Wednesday, May 21, 1952. Councilmen Preszler, Richey and Haskell (Mayor) were present; absent Rinn and Robinson.

Minutes of the previous meeting, May 7, 1952, were approved as written and mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS

<p>ABANDONMENT OF ALLEY BEHIND ARMORY RES. NO. 1679</p>	<p>Letter from Adjutant General's office, State of California, requesting the abandonment of the alley behind the Lodi National Guard Armory. Resolution No. 1679 declaring the intention of the City Council to vacate the alley in Block Six, Lawrence Homestead Addition, was introduced by Councilman Preszler and seconded by Councilman Richey. The resolution passed by unanimous vote. Wednesday, June 18, 1952, was the date set for the public hearing.</p>
<p>COUNCIL INVITED TO DEDICATION OF MERCED FIRE STATION</p>	<p>Letter from City Manager and Council of Merced extending an invitation to the Lodi City Council to attend the dedication ceremonies of the new Central Fire Station in the City of Merced, Saturday, June 7, 1952.</p>
<p>REQUEST FOR CITY WATER SERVICE</p>	<p>Letter from Mr. Edgar Pietzke, 3851 Newton, Stockton, California, requesting City water service be extended to property recently purchased by him on East Lockeford Road. Mr. Pietzke stated that the neighbors on both sides of his 3.8 acres are presently receiving water from the City of Lodi, despite the fact that their property lies outside the City limits. The City Manager stated that the policy of the City Council over the past three or four years has been to limit water service to residents of the City. Mayor Haskell observed that he could see no reason for granting this request in light of the standing policy. Councilman Richey moved to have the City Manager notify Mr. Pietzke that his application is rejected on the basis of the existing policy. Preszler seconded the motion and it was passed.</p>
<p>REQUEST FOR SEWERAGE AND WATER SERVICE</p>	<p>Letter from Mrs. Harvey Houston, 737 South Hutchins Street, requesting permission to tap the sewers and water mains belonging to the City of Lodi. Mrs. Houston's property also lies outside the City limits, but she acknowledges that annexation is inevitable in the near future. It was agreed that the City Manager should notify Mrs. Houston that annexation proceedings must be initiated before her request receives approval.</p>
<p>EXTENSION OF NO PARKING ZONE ON CHEROKEE LANE</p>	<p>Request from Pacific Gas and Electric Company that the No Parking Zone on Cherokee Lane (Highway 99) opposite its intersection with Victor Road (Highway 12) be extended north to Railroad Avenue. At the present time parking in front of the P.G. & E. driveway between 5 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. prevents the normal functioning of the maintenance department. Mayor Haskell stated that the P.G. & E. driveway should be kept free of parked cars or trucks on the same basis as any other driveway in the City. Moved by Councilman Richey, seconded by Preszler, that a letter be sent to the State Division of Highways to secure its approval of the proposed extension. The motion was passed.</p>

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JUNIOR TRAFFIC Letter from Russell French, Juvenile Officer, Lodi Police
PATROL PICNIC Department, inviting Council to attend the Fourth Annual
Junior Traffic Patrol Picnic at Lodi Lake Park, Saturday,
May 24, 1952, was read.

LETTER PRAISES Letter praising Juvenile Officer Russell French for
OFFICER FRENCH the fine manner in which he conducted the Conference
of the California State Juvenile Officers Association
in Hollywood was received and read from State of
California Youth Authority.

CHAMBER OF Lodi District Chamber of Commerce submitted letter
COMMERCE request for allocation of funds for publicity, pro-
REQUESTS motion and advertising to be included in the 1952-53
ALLOCATION Budget. The amount requested, \$2250.00, includes the
OF FUNDS regular grant of \$1500.00 plus \$750.00 in lieu of
1949-50 services. Agreement was expressed to the
suggestion of the City for a written contract. Present
plans for the use of the money include: printing of
new and revised City maps, educational exhibit at the
local Grape and Wine Festival, and, perhaps, a Lodi
brochure. A postscript to the letter pointed out
that the Chamber will be either directly or indirectly
responsible for Christmas decorations upon formation
of the Merchants' Division of the Chamber of Commerce.
Mayor Haskell referred the matter to the City Manager
for consideration in the 1952-53 Budget with the
suggestion that that part of the letter referring
to Xmas decorations be clarified.

PUBLIC HEARING

FLUORIDATION Mayor Haskell called for all matters other than the
ISSUE TO BE fluoridation issue to be brought before the Council.
PLACED ON There being none, he proceeded to explain to the
NOVEMBER assembled citizens that the City Council was in no
BALLOT way responsible for the published announcement of a
meeting in the Council Chambers on the subject of
fluoridation. He further reported that examination
of the petition submitted May 7, 1952, revealed valid
signatures of between 1100 and 1300 registered electors.
The Council had previously decided that a total of
500 to 700 valid signatures would be sufficient to
call a special election. The reported number ex-
ceeded this total by a large margin. It has therefore
been the decision of the Council as a body that the
matter should be determined by a special election at
the November election. There is a possibility that
the question of the disposition of Lodi Lake Park
may also be presented on the November ballot.
Motion by Councilman Preszler to place the fluoridation
issue on the November ballot was seconded by Mrs.
Richey and passed with a unanimous vote.

REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

SPECIFICATIONS Specifications for the purchase of 18.5 tons of emul-
STREET BUILD- sified asphalt and 4450 tons of 3/8 inch maximum SC-4
ING MATERIALS plant mix were approved on motion by Councilman Richey
and seconded by Preszler. Awarding of the bid will
be at the June 18 meeting of the City Council.

SPECIFICATIONS Specifications for the furnishing of oils and greases
OIL AND GREASE for the City's needs from July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953
were read and approved on motion of Councilman Pres-
zler, Richey second.

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SPECIFICATIONS
75 CUBIC FOOT
AIR COMPRESSOR

Specifications for an air compressor, approved at the previous meeting, was re-introduced with an amendment calling for a minimum 75 cubic foot capacity. City Manager reported that the City Engineer had determined that the 60 cubic foot capacity was inadequate and the 150 cubic foot capacity equipment was too bulky for the uses for which it is intended. The specifications were approved as read. Award of the bid will take place June 18, 1952.

RES. #1680
PARALLEL
PARKING
W. PINE ST.

Matter of parallel parking on Pine Street between Pleasant and Lee, held over from the May 7, 1952 meeting, was again brought up by the City Manager. Councilmen Richey and Preszler each reported that he had not been approached with the matter over the two-week elapsed time. There being no objections, Resolution No. 1680 passed on motion by Councilman Richey and second by Breszler.

CITY ENGINEER
DESIGNATED
SUPERINTENDENT
OF STREETS
ORD. NO. 457

Mr. Weller reported that the City Engineer had been designated Superintendent of Streets by a Council motion. He stated that for purposes of compliance with various California laws it would be beneficial to formalize the motion. Motion introducing Ordinance No. 457 by Councilman Preszler, seconded by Richey, was passed unanimously.

PETITION FOR
ANNEXATION

A petition of Cecil B. and Alice B. Clancy and Rachel E. Mainland and others for annexation of a portion of the Northeast One Quarter of Section 11, Township 3 North, Range 6 East, M. D. B. & M., was presented to the Council by Mr. Weller. The matter was referred to the Planning Commission on motion.

JUNE
MEETINGS

The Council meetings for the month of June were discussed. Mr. Weller reported that the schedule called for the budget to be returned on or about June 10. The Council agreed to hold meetings on June 18 and June 25 in order to give the necessary time to the budget.

CLAIMS

Claims in the amount of \$36,147.35 as submitted by the City Manager were approved and ordered paid.

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

HOEGERMAN
RESIGNS
BLAKELY
APPOINTED TO
C.P.C.

Letter from the Secretary of the City Planning Commission and a letter from Mr. Hoegerman were introduced together. The letters announced the resignation of Mr. Hoegerman and the recommendation that Mr. John F. Blakely be appointed to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Richey moved that the resignation of Mr. Hoegerman be accepted and that Mr. Blakely be appointed to fill the unexpired term. The motion was seconded and passed.

CHESTNUT-
CRESCENT
OPENING
RES. #1675

Letter from Planning Commission approving the change in the location of the street was considered by the Council. Resolution No. 1675 expressing the intention of the City Council to open and extend Chestnut Street and South Crescent Avenue under proceedings to be had in accordance with the Street Opening Act of 1889 was introduced by Councilman Preszler and seconded by Richey. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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BOCKENHEIM
PROPERTY
REZONING
PUBLIC HEARING
SET FOR
JUNE 18

2nd
1/4 OF
6/18/52

The matter of the rezoning of the Bockenheim property on the northwest corner of Lodi and Lee Avenues was reported back from the Planning Commission. The Commission recommended that this property be commercially zoned after determining that the plot plan conforms to the set back line as established by Ordinance No. 456. The Commission further recommended against any further extension of the commercial zone easterly. Councilman Preszler moved that public hearing be set for the rezoning of the Bockenheim property. The hearing was set for June 18, 1952.

ZONING OF
GUNSCH-
EDINGER
TRACT

Approval was given to the recommendations of the City Planning Commission for the initial zoning of the 42nd Addition South of Lodi Barnhart Tract and West of Cherokee Lane known as the Gunsch-Edinger Tract. This newly annexed territory is to be in the One and Two Family Residence District Zone except for a 200 foot wide strip along Kettleman Lane and a 220 foot wide strip along Cherokee Lane. The excepted territory will be zoned for commercial use.

MEMO FROM
C.P.C. RE
WIDTH OF
W. ELM
EXTENDED

A memo from the City Planning Commission, being an excerpt from the Commission's minutes of May 12, 1952, was read as follows: "On the suggestion of City Engineer Heckenlaible, the Commission discussed the prospective width of West Elm Street, particularly as relating to property of Lodi Union High School District. All agreed that an 80 foot right-of-way would be required, but, as the same conditions do not exist west of Ham Lane as existed in the Handel and Fairmont Park Subdivisions, this right-of-way should be furnished by developers of the property benefited. Pavement widths were left to be taken up as engineering and Council problems."

MAINTENANCE
OF ISLANDS
IN CENTRAL
& ELM STS.

Mayor Haskell introduced the subject of the maintenance of islands in the middle of Central and Elm Streets. It was recalled by the City Manager that the owners of property fronting on these islands once agreed to maintain the islands in return for the abandonment of plans by the City to remove said islands. Mayor Haskell observed that certain portions of these islands indicated a general lack of attention. He suggested to the City Manager that the City Engineer make a few calls and gather some information regarding the intention of the property owners on the subject.

At the order of the Mayor, the City Council adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Attest:


HENRY A. GLAVES, JR.
City Clerk